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### **NC ABC COMMISSION APPROVES STORE REQUESTED BY ROWAN/KANNAPOLIS BOARD AND HEARS 65 CASES**

RALEIGH – The ABC Commission today approved a request for an ABC store requested by the Rowan/Kannapolis ABC Board. The new store will be located at 1428 Jake Alexander Boulevard, Salisbury. It will replace an existing store located 325 feet from the new location. The new store is slated to open in April 2017.

In recommending the store approval, Chairman Jim Gardner praised the Rowan/Kannapolis board for its long-time commitment to reducing underage drinking and the board's support for the Talk It Out Campaign.

"I want to recognize what a great job Terry Osborne does. The Rowan/Kannapolis board has long been dedicated to addressing the problem of underage drinking. In addition, their board sales increased more than 9 percent over last year," Chairman Gardner said.

The Commission today also levied penalties in excess of \$78,000 and/or imposed suspensions of five days or more on 65 businesses that hold permits to sell alcohol in the state. Fines are due March 4, 2016, and suspensions begin March 11, 2016.

North Carolina is one of 17 states to regulate alcohol through a control system. Since 1937, the North Carolina Alcoholic Beverage Control Commission has provided regulation and control over the sale, purchase, transportation, manufacture, consumption and possession of alcoholic beverages in the state of North Carolina. <http://abc.nc.gov>.

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